

fully regulated under any Federal milk order shall be classified on the basis of the second plant's utilization using the same assignment priorities at the second plant that are set forth in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

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§ 1004.43 General classification rules.

(a) Each month, the market administrator shall correct for mathematical and other obvious errors, the reports of receipts and utilization submitted pursuant to § 1004.30 (a), (b), and (d) by each handler and compute the total pounds of skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in each class at each of the plants of such handler, and the total pounds of skim milk and butterfat in each class which was received from producers by a cooperative association handler pursuant to § 1004.9 (b) and (c) and was not received at a pool plant.

(b) If any of the water contained in the milk from which a product is made is removed before the product is utilized or disposed of by a handler, the pounds of skim milk in such product that are to be considered under this part as used or disposed of by the handler shall be an amount equivalent to the nonfat milk solids contained in such products plus all the water originally associated with such solids.

(c) The classification of producer milk for which a cooperative association is the handler pursuant to § 1004.9 (b) or (c) shall be determined separately from the operations of any pool plant operated by such cooperative association.

(d) Class III-A milk shall be allocated in combination with Class III milk and the quantity of producer milk eligible to be priced in Class III-A shall be determined by prorating receipts from pool sources to Class III-A use on the basis of the quantity of total receipts of bulk fluid milk products allocated to Class III use at the plant.

(e) Skim milk and butterfat contained in receipts of bulk concentrated fluid milk and nonfluid milk products that are reconstituted for fluid use shall be assigned to Class I use, up to the reconstituted portion of labeled reconstituted fluid milk products, on a pro rata basis (except for any Class I

use of specific concentrated receipts that is established by the handler) prior to any assignments under § 1004.44. Any remaining skim milk and butterfat in concentrated receipts shall be assigned to uses under § 1004.44 on a pro rata basis, unless a specific use of such receipts is established by the handler.

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§ 1004.44 Classification of producer milk.

After making the computations pursuant to § 1004.43, the market administrator each month shall determine the classification of milk received from producers by each cooperative association handler pursuant to § 1004.9 (b) and (c) which was not received at a pool plant, and the classification of milk received from producers and from cooperative association handlers pursuant to § 1004.9(c) at each pool plant for each handler as follows:

(a) Skim milk shall be allocated in the following manner:

(1) Subtract from the total pounds of skim milk in Class III the pounds of skim milk in shrinkage specified in § 1004.41(b);

(2) Subtract from the total pounds of skim milk in Class I, the pounds of skim milk in:

(i) Receipts of packaged fluid milk products from an unregulated supply plant to the extent that an equivalent amount of skim milk disposed of to such plant by handlers fully regulated under any Federal milk order is classified and priced as Class I milk and is not used as an offset for any other payment obligation under any order; and

(ii) Receipts of exempt milk;

(3) Subtract from the remaining pounds of skim milk in each class the pounds of skim milk in fluid milk products received in packaged form from an other order plant, except that to be subtracted pursuant to paragraph (a)(8)(vi) of this section, as follows:

(i) From Class III milk, the lesser of the pounds remaining, or 2 percent of such receipts; and

(ii) From Class I milk, the remainder of such receipts;

(4) Subtract from the remaining pounds of skim milk in Class I the